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1. Babie Doly

No significant changes have been observed in the installations on the Babie Doly airfield up to June 1955.

2. Bydgoszcz

- a. The airfield was located at Bydgoszcz (Bromberg) before World War II. It was rebuilt and widened from 1951 to 1953 to enable it to be used by jet planes.
- b. The airfield is located immediately south of the town of Bydgoszcz near the suburb of Szwederowo and east of the Bydgoszcz—Szubin highway. The area measures about four kilometers from north to south along the highway, and somewhat less from east to west.
- c. There is one concrete runway on the field which runs in a north-south direction and is about three kilometers long and 60 to 80 meters wide. A small hangar from before the war is located on the northern edge of the area. This part of the area is used as a field for civilian air traffic. Similarly on the north edge, but farther to the east, is a larger hangar, which was built by the Germans during the war. It has room for about six large planes. Along the southern border, partly in the woods, there are a hangar (100 x 60 x 70 meters), partly underground workshops, a fuel dump with electric pumps, and an ammunition dump. These were constructed when the field was being widened.
- d. One Polish air regiment with barracks în Szwederowo is stationed at the airfield. It is equipped with "peszki" and "illy", which are the Polish slang words for Soviet "Pe" and "Il" aircraft. The regiment commander and the other senior officers of the regiment are Russians.
- e. The construction work on the field was carried out by a labor battalion of about 1,000 men with the number 1506 which was quartered for several years in the town on Bydgoszcz. In 1954, it was transferred to East Prussia, where it is reported to be engaged in similar work.

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